## Secretary Wilson Adopts Role As Poet Laureate of Cabinet week visiting in close 1 sections in close 1 sections in close 1 sections and pure

#### Himself Former Miner, 'He Sings of Lowly, Showing His Love for Toilers.

In the President's Cabinet is a real time coal miner, new Secretary of or, whose facile pen has translated verse the beauties of nature and of and love of mangind and of coun-

on of a mine explosion, a sever ent of the convict labor syste of strikes; in short, he epite life of the coal miner from the cradle to

In 1848, while international reasurer of the Mine Workers' Union, Mr. Wilson gathered together a few of the things he had written and had them published in Indianapolis, where the mineers' headquarters were located. The neat little book of poems was not for sale—it was for distribution to friends.

Dedicated to Parents book is entitled "Memories." Here

"To my father and mother, who ses that their son might follow literary career have not been real tion for their disappointment."

Some of Secretary Wilson's Scotch hu-

e general public these few rhymes, eiten principally under the unfluence youthful exuberance. It could not be pected to appreciate the circumstances der which they came into existence or k the defects they contain. I an oversion the detects they contain. I allowing for a more sympathetic audience. This little volume has been printed (not published) for circulation among those intimate friends of mine who can bury its poetical, grammatical and structural riends as conclusive proof that my life as been a reasonably healthy one." Even the "introduction" is written in

No great, refined poetic powers I claim;
No college learning smooths my humble muse;
Unknown to fortune, hidden far from fame.
I simply sing, because to sing I choose.
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Impioring gauce to guide their flocks aright.
Of chicalry or gullant knights of old.
Who gloried in their provess with the lance;
Who fought for ladies bright, for kings and gold.
For transient fame and pleasure, too, perchance. Who fought for indice origin, for aims and grown. For transient fame and pleasure, too, perchance. But, as I time my rude, uncultured lyre I'll sing the praises of the multitude Whose toiling brawn and brain and heart's desire Moree over for their fellow being's good.

these lines, penned many years ago, er used for the common weal.

with the coming to the Land of Hope beam his long and hard preparation for the coveted place of power and well doing. Born in Blantyre, Scotland, April 2, 1882 the son of Adam Wilson and Helen Neison Bauchop Wilson, he came to this country with his parents in 1870 and settled in Arnot, Tloga County, Pa.

tied in Arnot, Tioga County, Pa.

What little early education he had was attained in the public school of this little Pennsylvania town, supplemented with leng.

of the Mine Workers' Union. member of the Mine Workers' Union.
Although but a youth, far from his majority, the next few years found him associated with the elder men of the community in establishing a reading room and eagerly listening to the debates and arguments of the men who nightly congregated there. He soon joined in these debates and rapidly developed as an able and eagerly insteming to the absolute and arguments of the men who nightly con-gregated there. He soon joined in these debates and rapidly developed as an able

societies and afterward in the district and later in the international ortional secretary-treasurer from 1900 to 1908, being elected each year without op-

ocrats as their candidate for Congress in 1900, the district having chosen but one Democratic Representative since the civil war. He was elected a member of the Sixtieth. Sixty-first, and Sixty-second

### Work in Congress.

In the Sixty-second Congress Mr. Wil-son was chairman of the Committee on Labor and was chairman of the special committee that investigated the "scientific systems of shop management," his associates being the new Secretary of Commerce, W. C. Redfield, and John Q.

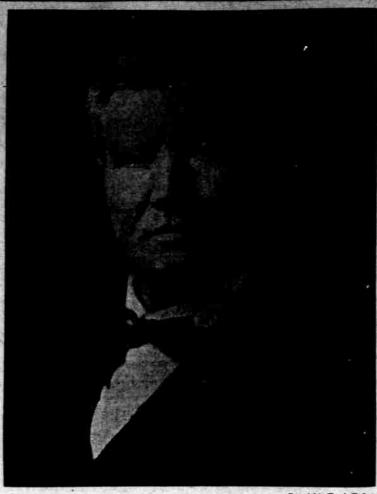
lison, of Connecticut. When the Department of Labor was created in the closing days of the Taft administration Mr. Wilson was named its first chief by President Wilson. To use

endeavored to make it a "Department or industrial diplomacy."

In 1883 Mr. Wilson married Miss Agnes Williamson, of Arbot. They have been hissed with nine children. Their home is on the Avenue of the Presidents in the Capital, but for the last twenty years they lived on a farm located three miles rom Arnot, the scene of his laboring coyhood days. The farm is on the Wil-lamson road, in the limits of Blossburg



WILLIAM BEAUCHOP WILSON, one-time coal miner, now Secretary of Labor and real poet of the President's Cabinet.



Borough. The house is situated on an eminence overlooking the valley and pre-senting a beautiful view of the surround-

ing hills.

Here Mr. Wilson spent what time he could grasp from his busy life, rambling about the hills or in his library, which had taken years to collect. The beauties of the country surrounding his home are depicted in these lines, entitled "Sun-

September sun, with antumn's glow, Behind the hills was setting low, Bediceting on Tioga's streams. The varied thirting of its beams, And looking o'er to Barney's hill, Where loudly sung the whip-poor-will, His last clear wong ore boreal time Should force him to a warmer clime, It tipped the tree tops with its light And kinsed them, one and all, good night. The dusky shadows falling fast. A gloaming through the valley cast, And when the russet glow had casted it awed to stillness man and beast. Each hill and valley, field and wood Seemed but a mighty solitude, So calm and quiet the night had grown Where Nature called the scene her own.

#### The Life of a Miner.

The history of the miner, from the cri we secretary of Labor gave vent to militions to become a leader among with whom he worked for their ment—"his waking dreams of common waki."

"were used for the common weal."

edge of the author with the life.

Pennsylvania town, supplemented with tutoring by Reuben Howland, an old-time schoolmaster, who was in charge of the Arnot schools.

The following year he began work in the mines and attended night school after his day's labor. In 1873 he became a half I want you to know I as sitteen today, and I want a "full turn" as a miner."

debater in this school of experience.
His interests in the welfare of his feilow wage workers received recognition in
his selection as an official in the local
From difficult breathing, pains all through his

breast.
Teiling with glee and a care for the truth
Great tales of the digging he did in his youth,
The "soft snaps" he had and the hard work he'd

A plain, common coffin, no tringming of gold, its occupant lifeless, rigid and cold; Gone from this life with its pleasures and pains, its rises and downfalls, loases and gains. Now all his work as a miner is o'er, And the tales he once told he will never tell more. Green o'er his gave let sweet immortalles grow. Now since he's gone where all mortals go—All mortals as well as a miner.

### Verses Written in a Night.

When the international headquarters When the international headquarters of the Mine Workers' Union were in Indian-apoils Mr. Wilson, with his daughter, Miss Agnes Hart Wilson, who was then his secretary, was strolling in Riverside Park. Despite the snow that covered the ground here and there they found and ad-mired a hardy little "Johnny Jump-Up." That night Mr. Wilson penned "Do You Call This Spring?"

Secretary Wilson's own words, he has Little Johnsy Jump-Up, peeping through the groun endeafored to make it a "Department of Long before the other flowers know that spring industrial diplomacs."

Laughing at us cutely with your merry yellow face.
While the chilly breezes keep a-blowing round the

chiefly dealing with truancy and its fleet-ing pleasures, grips, and heartstrings. "A Pipe Dream" is a beautiful review, while enjoying a pipe of tobacco, of his earlier boyhood in the vicinity of the estate of the Duke of Hamilton, near the borough of that pame is Secretard.

the comment of a juvenile member of the Secretary's household, commenting upon "The Patriot's Oath, a Tale of the Convict Labor System." It is a playlet in verse that strikes straight from the

"A Letter Home," written while on a "A Letter Home," written while on a trip through the anthracite region looking for aid for the striking miners of Dubois. Pa.: "Home." a tribute to "The Land of Penn;" "Lines Written on the Fourth of July," "The Editor's Fate," "Blacklisted," "Blue Eyes," are the title of other ed," "Blue Eyes," are the title of other poems written by Secretary Wilson.

#### SONG TO BE REPEATED.

Miss Raymond to Sing "Rube College Boy" in Baltimore.

"The Rube College Boy," which was sing with great success by Ruby Ray-mond in "Forty-five Minutes from Broadway," at Poli's Theater last week, was written by Donald M. McLeran and James A. White, jr., of the Players' Club of Washington.

Club of Washington.

Miss Raymond first sang the song in "Is This a Rehearsul," the musical comedy by Mr. McLeran and George A Bentley, which was produced by the Players' Club at the Playhouse, early in November, and made works his control of the November, and made such a hit with it then that she decided to use it again last week. She also will sing it this week during her

### Entertainment for Blind.

The program for the entertainment for the blind, at the Library of Con-gress, next Tuesday night follows: Consert program by Mme. Marie von Un- will be discuss schuld, and Baby Lazard will play.

Superintendent Ernest L. Thurston discussed the courses of study pursued in the high schools and for what these courses prepare a pupil at a special meeting of the Emery-Eckington Home and School Association, held in the United Brethren Sunday School house Friday evening. The speaker was introduced by Selden M. Ely and the meeting was in charge of Mrs. W. Frye, president of the association. Many parents of the seventh and eighth grade pupils were present.

The Webster basket-ball team de-eated the Army-Navy Preps. Jr., in a ard-fought game, 18 to 17, on Wednes-

Mins E. M. Kerr, who spent the Christ-mas holidays at Irondale, Ohio, is seriously ill in that city, and will not be able to resume her duties at the Abbot

An interesting talk on methods used in Indian schools was given Monday by Mrs. Irene Sayles, a teacher in the Wis-consin Indian schools, before the Mothers' Club of the Towers School.

Both mystery and interest surround the "Minstrel Show" which the boys of Cadet Companies E and F are to give in the assembly hall of Business High School next Thursday night. The chorus

Resolved: "That cold, storage is bene-icial to the people of the United States," was the question up for discussion by the Central High School Debating Society last Wednesday afternoon. First honors were awarded Miss Elizabeth Cullen who took the negative. Judges were Miss Elsie Hill, R. L. Yates, and

Miss M. G. Gibson and Miss K. M. Raber, teachers at Business High School, have returned from a brief visit

"Reminiscences of School Life" was the subject of F. A. Booth's talk wednesday night at the Brookland As-sociation meeting. Mrs. C. V. Burnsido presided and music was furnished by Miss: M. H. Selah, Miss Mildred Gove, Martin McHugh and Theodore F. Snell, with a reading by Mrs. Henry Savage.

Next Wednesday evening there will be meeting of the Gales-Seaton Associa-n, when the annual election of officers

Dr. C. M. Enbert will give an address on "Helps to Mothers and Teachers" at the meeting of the wallach Mothers' Club tomorrow evening. There will be a musical program and readings by pu-pils of the fourth grade.

The season has been so open that the girls' hockey teams of Western High School, under the instruction of Miss E. All Thomas, still are playing on their athletic field, adjoining the school campus. Two new tennis courts are being put in shape for the spring season. The "lodge" or cabin on the athletic field will

The question of a school branch of the of the Mothers' Club of Peabody School

J. O. Evana, assistant cashier of Riggs National Bank, gave an address on the income tax law at the meeting of the board of directors of Business High School Bank Friday afternoon.

Oswald G. Villard, of New York, ad-dressed the students of Armstrong Tues-day morning. A matinee reception was held in the gym of the school Wednesday.

## Motion Picture News A Daily Feature

This daily news feature of The Washington Herald is for the bene-fit of everybody interested in motion

Suggestions, comments, criticisms, inquiries, and questions invited. Address communications to Motion Picture Editor, Washington Herald.

of securing a strong place in film circles If securing a strong place in him circles, Miss Adair possenses personal magnetism with charming and expressive features. This is her initial bow to the audiences of nickels and dimes, but for years she has headlined bills in bigtime vaudeville circuits. She was with Julian Eltinge in "The Fascinating Widow," and has had a wide dramatic experience.

eath." Virginia today. Sat., Selig's "KATHLYN"

Alma Russell, one of the leading Indies of the Selig Stock Company, in Chicago, in carrying out her part of a rural play, called "The Rube," which was being presented under the direction of Marshal Farnum, last week on a farm near Des plaines, fell from a haystack, but happily escaped a serious cut. She was taken to her home unconscious, but reported for duty two days later.

Adrienne Kroell, the leading lady of the Selig Stock Company, in Chicago, is back doing very picturesque service, and claims she has great cause for thankful-ness this glad New Year in bidding travesties of fate that beauty should be

The Keystone Studio had a near trag-edy in the making of the three-reel spe-cial, "Baffles, the Gentleman Burglar." steamship where assert the provisions fairly to the Thirteenth Infantry. The Keystone police force was pursuing Baffles over the roofs of ten and twelvestory buildings. One of the cops, just as he was about to shoot, slipped on the edge of the roof, and for a moment it appeared as though he were going over. Regaining his foothold, however, he scrambled back to safety, much to the scrambled back to safety. The House committee will and there seems to be some belief bill, and there seems to be some belief bill

casts.

Mr. Olcott is deserving of praise for the effective way he has handled Miss Gauntier's scenarios and the many that he himself has written. Just a year ago he completed "A Daughter of the Confedaracy" and "When Men Hate." two Warner's Features that have played in thousands of theaters both here and abroad. His latest success, also a three-reel picture, is "For Ireland's Sake," a drama of Irish patriotism, featuring Miss Gene Gauntier. This photoplay, just released, will be followed by "Come Back to Erin" and other typical Irish proto Erin" and other typical Irish pro-ductions made in and around the lakes of Killarney.

#### NEW SWEET POTATO DISEASE. Foot Rot Prevalent in Several Places in Virginia,

## SOME IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE PRUBLEMS.

Suffrage amendment to the Constitution, giving the ballot to women.

La Follette seamen's bill, regulating crows and life-saving equipment of pasenger steamers of Great Lakes, rivers, and coasts.

Anti-trust resolution, "clarifying" the Sherman law, to follow a spell message on the subject from President Wilson.

Resolution to suppend for two years provision of the Panama Canal t allowing free toils to American coastwise shipping.

Alasks railroad bill.

Adamson bill for the establishment of a public health service.

Clapp bill, prohibiting sending of campaign contributions from one ate to another.

Scoher bill, relative to interstate commerce in convict-made goods. Owen bill, providing legislative reference bureau as part of the Library of Congress, to give expert advice to Congress on legislative

Burnett bill, to regulate immigration of aliens and containing an

Congress Will Be Busy During the Next Few Months.

#### ANTI-TRUST LAW CHANGE

Amendment Will Be Discussed Ada son Resolution Will Bring Up Canal Tolls Question.

Legislative matters of the greatest importance are before Congress to be handled during the present session, which will convene tomorrow. While not as yet on the calendars of either House, an amendment to the anti-trust law will arise following a special message from President Wilson, recommending the doption of a clarifying amendment, action upon which will be awaited with the Some time during the session the Adamtroversy regarding Panama Canal tolls suspension for two years of that pro-vision of the Panama Canal act which will give free tolls to American coast-

Much interes; has been displayed in the La Follette seamen's bill, which is sup-posed to have the firm backing of the Seamen's Union and it said to be op-posed by the steamshit companies oper-ating on the Great Lakes, rivers, and along the crasts. There has been much discussion of this among members of discussion of this among members of Company discussion of this among members of President to be considerable controversy when it is passage of the Senate and headers of years ago. been held upon it by the Merchant Ma-rine and Fisheries Committee of the

The La Follette bill is said to contain rather drastic provisions relative to the safety to life and limb of passengers and employes upon vessels. The steamship companies user; that the adoption of the companies every that the adoption of the bill by Coruress would put out of busi-ness every excursion steamer on the Great Lakes and summer resort steamers throughout the United States. Some steamship where assert that if it were

In directing the production of motion pictures, when a director wishes the actors to pause to girtime for the reading of a letter or other stage business, he calls, "Hold it," meaning to hold the action. During the production of Director Henry MacRae's picture, "The Vagabona" winding a legislative reference bureau for the Library of Congress, to give exhere the production of Director the modelled after the bureau maintained for modelled after the bureau maintained for a legislative modelled after the bureau maintained for the Formann's are ordered to take effect and information on legislative modelled after the bureau maintained for modelled after the bureau maintained for a legislative modelled after the bureau maintained for the Formann's are ordered to take effect and information on legislative modelled after the bureau maintained for the Formann's are of courses. The course and information on legislative modelled after the bureau maintained for the formann's actions of the modelled after the bureau maintained for the formann's actions of the modelled after the bureau maintained for the formann's action of the modelled after the bureau maintained for the formann's action of the modelled after the bureau maintained for the formann's action of the modelled after the formann's action of the formation of the formation of the formation of the formation action of the formation action of the formation pert advice and information on legisla-tive matters to members of Congress, modelled after the bureau maintained for the benefit of the legislature of Wiscon-

Mr. MacRae gave a green hand a bomb with instructions when it was to be lighted and when it was to be lighted and when it was to be lighted and when it was to be thrown into the scene.

The action in the scene commenced. The director instructed the actors as the scene progressed and finally he called: "Hold it, hold it."

The green hand thought he was being addressed. He held it and he is now in the hospital at Universal City, suffering from a burned hand and arm.

Warner's Feat, res. Inc., distributors of feature of feature of the scene in the bureau maintained for the beginning of the legislature of Wisconsin, also is well up on the Senate calendar.

Mai, Thomas Q. Donaidson, from the Eighth Cavalry.

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Mai, Donaidson, from the C warner's Features, Inc., distributors of feature films, will shortly be releasing three-part feature productions directed by Sidney Olcott, the pioneer away-from home picture man.

Mr. Olcott has resigned as producer of the Gene Gauntier Feature Players and has organized the Sid Olcott International Features. He is now at Jacksonville, Fla., with a splendid company of fourteen players, which will be augmented by others as the pictures produced require larger casts.

Mr. Olcott is deserving of praise for the effective way he has handled Miss

tain again to arous; a storm of controversy. It was reported to the House only after a hot fight in committee.

In the Adamson resolution for the suspension for two years of the Panama Canal free folls to American coastwise yessels, many Congressmen claim to see the hand of Presiden: Wilson. It will be remembered that the provision in the Panama Crual act providing for the exemption of our coastwise shipping aroused a storm of protest from Great Britain, Germany, and other nations, and that it finally was allowed to stand by Congress on the theory that the United States, having expended \$375,000,000 to construct the canal, has the right to make such rules and regulations for its use as it saw fit, although this was arrived at only after long battles in the Senate and House.

House.

President Wilson never has expressed himself upon the subject, and the matter still was very much of an issue when he took office, for the protests of Great Britain and Germany still stood. The clamor o' European nations was silenced, however, scon after the inauguration of President W ison, and it now is asserted that the protests were not supplemented because of the assurance given the ambassadors by the President that the matter would be taken up again, in the form of an amendment, such as the Ademose. ter would be taken up again, in the form of an amendment, such as the Adamson bill, which is now before Congress, and taken to mean here that the President is prepared to proceed with the tolls ques-

It is said by those favoring the Adam on resolution that should it pass it will be in the nature of an experiment, which, if it proves unsatisfactory to the United States, need not be renewed at the end

## SOUTHERN PACIFIC ACCUSED.

awyer Says It Is Trying to Get Valuable Petroleum Lands. A brief was filed in the Supreme Court

ornia, an attorney, who is representing certain claimants under the public lands laws, which charged that the Southern Pacific Railroad was trying to gain title ent to make withdrawals of public lands for mineral purposes before the

questioned.
Mid-West case was argued this week, but not concluded. The arguments for the government made by Assistant Attorney General Knaebel tomorrow Incidentally the title of the Southern Pacific to lands now known to contain oil is in question

### ARMY ORDERS.

The following transfers at the request of the offi-orns concienced are ordered: Capt. Tenney Ross, from the Thirteenth Infantry, to the Eighth Infantry. Capt. Leavence Haistend, from the Eighth In-fantry to the Thirteenth Infantry. is the Eighth Intrancy.

Capt. Lawrence Halstead, from the Eighth Infantry to the Thirteenth Infantry.

Pirst Lieut. Beauford B. Camp, Ninth Cavalry,

to Walter Beed General Hospital for

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This being only his second term in the House. Mr. Durennus is rather green for most care. How the heart field as few things, and he brought it to Washington with him. When Re was a boy in Michigan he decided to start a paper of his own; so he started it. He apper of his own; so he started it

induence in keeping down the tendency of germs to multiply rapidly in diseased conditions, the power of self-elimination is asserted and health is recovered. The entire absence of any mineral substance in S. S. S. assures a perfectly safe medicinal action without the alightest fear of any of those morbid effects so often experienced from the use of crude drugs in treating severe attacks of disordered or diseased blood. S. S. S. is so well known, has such a host of staunch champions, and has completely overcome such a variety of morbid blood conditions that it commands the attention of those who realize the great necessity for just such realize the great necessity for just such

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## HIS HONEST FACE WON PLACE FOR REPRESENTATIVE DOREMUS

## Samuel G. Blythe Tells How Michigan Man Came to Be Made Chairman of Congressional Campaign Com-

mittee. Frank E. Doremus, representative from Michigan, was chosen chairman of the Democratic National Congressional Cam-Committee because he looks so honest that he could get trusted for a ride on a pay-as-you-enter street car, says Samuel G. Blythe in the Satur-day Evening Post. Also because he is a sizable politician, who knows his way about and because President Wilson

wanted him on the job.

Honesty having been discovered to be the best politics, the Democrats in the House of Representatives have decided to go the limit on it, and in these days of publicity for campaign contributions and the like one of the very best assets a committee could have would be an honest-faced campaign chairman. Hence Mr. Doremus was picked. Besides, Mr. Wilson picked him-liked his looks, and sent word to the majority members that he would gladly recommend Mr. Doremus if he dared. Which was to say that he insisted upon Mr. Doremus' appointment.

# of Michigan, whose honest face got him campaign chairmanship.

REPRESENTATIVE DOREMUS,